

Subject: Arrangement + classification of
U.S. war medals + decorations

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THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MISSOURI
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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Sept. 10, 1923.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 157th St.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

We have an odd assortment of
badges some city decorations, U. D. C. Confederacy
and some of the late war.

Can you assist me in regard to the
arrangement & classification? We
have a few coins and paper money
used during the Civil war.

Any suggestions that you may
make will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours
(Miss) Ruth Wolman
Cataloger.

September 13th, 1923

The State Historical Society of Missouri
Columbia, Mo.

Attention - Miss Ruth Woolman

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of September 10th, we beg to state that we display our badges and decorations in upright cases, either fastening each badge to a black card or pinning the piece directly to the cloth background, with an appropriate label beneath each.

We have arranged our specimens chronologically - first, Government decorations, then Revolutionary, 1812, Mexican War, etc. With the more recent decorations, we place those of the Government first, State next, and then cities and minor historical divisions. After these, posts, organizations, etc.

We should be glad to have a list of the badges you have relating to the World War as we are compiling a list of these, and have over seven hundred listed.

Coins and medals, where possible, we show in flat cases as they are easier to arrange this way than in the upright cases.

Paper money, for the most part, we have mounted on pages similar to the system employed with postcards, and we usually show these in upright cases.

If you have any further questions to ask, please feel at liberty to do so.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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September 28, 1923.

Mr. Howard Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wood:

In reply to your letter of September 13th I
am glad to have your assistance in regard to arranging gov-
ernment decorations and also coins and medals.

In response to your request for a list of
"World War" badges, I am sorry to say that in looking over
the badges we find that we have none of this recent war.
Mr. Shoemaker and I thought we had seen some among this
miscellaneous collection so that gave rise to this error.

Very truly yours,

Ruth Sholman

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Cataloguer.